


Claims directed to the elected species include Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8 (in part), 13 (in part), 14, 22 (in part), 23, 24, 27 (in part) and 28 (in part).

If it would be helpful to obtain favorable consideration of this case, the Examiner is encouraged to call and discuss this case with the undersigned. This constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and an authorization to charge all fees therefore to deposit account No. 19-5117 if not otherwise specifically requested. The undersigned hereby authorizes the charge of any fees created by the filing of this document or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to be charged to deposit account No. 19-5117.

Respectfully submitted,

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